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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Swan Lake North Hydro LLC

Project No. 13318-003

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TENDERED FOR FILING WITH THE COMMISSION
AND SOLICITING ADDITIONAL STUDY REQUESTS

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. Type of Application: Unconstructed major project
- b. Project No.: 13318-003
- c. Date filed: October 28, 2015
- d. Applicant: Swan Lake North Hydro LLC
- e. Name of Project: Swan Lake North Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: Approximately 11 miles northeast of the City of Klamath Falls, Klamath County, Oregon. The proposed project boundary would include about 730 acres of federal land managed by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791 (a) - 825(r)
- h. Applicant Contact: Joe Eberhardt, EDF-Renewable Energy, 1000 SW Broadway Ave., Ste. 1800, Portland, OR 97205; Phone: (503) 889-3838.
- i. FERC Contact: Dianne Rodman, dianne.rodman@ferc.gov; phone: (202) 502-6077.
- j. Cooperating agencies: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: December 27, 2015

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-13318-003.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The proposed project would be a closed-loop system using groundwater for initial fill and consist of the following new facilities: (1) a 7,972-foot-long earthen embankment forming a geomembrane-lined upper reservoir with a surface area of 64.21 acres and a storage capacity of 2,568 acre-feet at a maximum surface elevation of 6,135 feet above mean sea level (msl); (2) a 8,003-foot-long earthen embankment forming a geomembrane-lined lower reservoir with a surface area of 60.14 acres and a storage capacity of 3,206 acre-feet at a maximum surface elevation of 4,457 feet msl; (3) a 500-foot-long, rip-rap lined trapezoidal spillway built into the crest of each embankment; (4) a 0.5-percent slope perforated polyvinyl chloride tube of varying diameter and accompanying optical fiber drainage system designed to detect, collect, and monitor water leakage from the reservoirs; (5) a 25-inch-diameter bottom outlet with manual valve for gravitational dewatering of the lower reservoir; (6) an upper intake consisting of a bell mouth, 38.6-foot-wide by 29.8-foot-long inclined screen, head gate, and 13.8-foot-diameter foundational steel pipe; (7) a 36.5-foot-diameter, 9,655-foot-long steel high-pressure penstock from the upper reservoir to the powerhouse that is predominantly above ground with a 14-foot-long buried segment; (8) three 9.8-foot-diameter, 1,430-foot-long steel low-pressure penstocks from the lower reservoir to the powerhouse that are predominantly above ground with a 78-foot-long buried segment ; (9) a partially-buried powerhouse with three 131.1-megawatt (MW) reversible pump-turbine units with a total installed capacity of 393.3 MW; (10) a 32.8 mile, 230-kilovolt above-ground transmission line interconnecting to an existing non-project substation; (11)

approximately 10.7 miles of improved project access road; (12) approximately 3.4 miles of new permanent project access road; (13) approximately 8.3 miles of temporary project access road; and (14) appurtenant facilities. The project would generate about 1,187 gigawatt-hours annually.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. Procedural schedule: The application will be processed according to the following preliminary Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Notice of Acceptance	March 2016
Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments	April 2016
Comments on Scoping Document 1	June 2016
Issue Scoping Document 2	July 2016
Issue notice of ready for environmental analysis	July 2016
Commission issues draft EIS	December 2017
Comments on draft EIS	February 2017
Commission issues final EIS	June 2017

DATED: November 9, 2015

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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